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SUBJECT : IDI AMIN IN UAE

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1. UGANDAN PRESIDENT IDI AMIN SPENT SOMEWHAT LESS THAN 48 HOURS IN UAE OCT. 18-20. AMIN RECEIVED RED CARPET TREATMENT INCLUDING RECEPTION AT AIRPORT NOT ONLY BY UAE PRESIDENT SHAIKH ZAYID, BUT ALSO BY VICE PRESIDENT AND RULER DUBAI, SHAIKH RASHID, AND RULER RAS AL-KHAIMAH SHAIKH SAQR--THESE PLUS NUMEROUS OTHER DIGNITARIES. STAY, WHICH COVERED EXTENSIVELY IN PRESS--INCLUDING INNUMERABLE PICTURES NOT ONLY OF AMIN BUT OF HIS THREE YEAR OLD SON--INCLUDED TWO DINNERS, ONE LUNCHEON, TEA HOSTED BY PLO, BOAT RACES, TOURS OF VARIOUS SITES IN ABU DHABI, ETC. AMBASSADOR DECLINED PARTICIPATE IN ANY OF ABOVE.

2. ON SUBSTANTIVE SIDE, UAE FONMIN SUWAIDI WAS QUOTED IN PRESS AS SAYING TWO SIDES HAD DISCUSSED NUMBER OF ISSUES INCLUDING ECONOMIC AID, BUT NO SPECIFIC COMMITMENTS WERE MADE. FINAL COMMUNIQUE APPEARS TO HAVE BEEN VIRTUALLY SAME AS THAT ISSUED IN DOHA
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(PARA 4 REF A) WITH EXCEPTION THAT HERE TWO COUNTRIES HAVE AGREED

TO ESTABLISH DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS, AT AMBASSADORIAL LEVEL, ASAP. SHAIKH ZAYID'S VISIT TO UGANDA, LIKE THAT OF AMIR OF QATAR IS TO BE "SOMETIME" IN FUTURE. UAE OFFICIALS, STARTING WITH ZAYID AT AIRPORT, DID EXPRESS THEIR APPRECIATION OF AMIN'S SUPPORT FOR ARAB CAUSE AND, AS NOTED, PLO HERE PLAYED PROMINENT ROLE IN VISIT AND IN DOING HONOR TO AMIN.

3. AS FOR UGANDAN PRESIDENT, HE WAS SOMEWHAT LESS RESTRAINED THAN WAS CASE IN QATAR. SPEAKING AT PLO TEA HE CALLED NOT ONLY FOR RESTORATION OF PALESTINIAN RIGHTS BUT SAID WAR SHOULD BE TAKEN TO ISRAELIS, THAT ARABS SHOULD TAKE OFFENSIVE INSTEAD OF BEING ON DEFENSIVE. HE AMPLIFIED ON THIS POINT AT A PRESS CONFERENCE OCT 20, SAYING THAT ISRAELI CITIES SHOULD BE HIT AND THAT ISRAELI CITIZENS SHOULD FEEL DIRECT THREAT. IN THIS CONNECTION HE NOTED THAT PALESTIN

- IANS WERE TRAINING IN UGANDA AND THAT UGANDAN CITIZENS, TRAINING ALONGSIDE, WOULD ALSO PARTICIPATE IN LIBERATION OF PALESTINE. REGARDING SINAI ACCORD, AMIN SAID OBJECTIVE WAS TO FURTHER SECRETARY KISSINGER'S POLICY OF SOWING DISSENSION AMONG ARABS, AND PARTICULARLY SEPARATING EGYPT FROM ITS BROTHERS, SO THAT ISRAEL COULD TAKE ON ARAB COUNTRIES ONE BY ONE. AMIN SAID THAT ARABS SHOULD BE WARNED OF SECRETARY'S POLICIES AND SHOULD NOT FORGET THAT HE IS "100 PER CENT JEW." RE UN DEFINITION OF ZIONISM AS RACISM, AMIN PRAISED DECISION, DECLARING HE HAD WORKED FOR THIS GOAL AND FELT "PRIDE" IN UN ACTION. FINALLY AMIN NOTED THAT HE HAD DISCUSSED WITH ZAYID HIS PLANS TO HOLD AFRICAN-ARAB SUMMIT IN MARCH 1976 AND HAD SECURED ZAYID'S APPROVAL.

4. FORTUNATELY, ABU DHABI HAS NOT HAD TO FACE PRESIDENT BONGO AS WELL. IDI AMIN WAS QUITE ENOUGH. STERNER

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